

Richard H. Honaker, of Wyoming, to be United States District Judge for the District of Wyoming.

Richard A. Jones, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Janis Lynn Sammartino, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Marine Corps nomination in the rank of general.

7 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army.

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 6:46 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 20, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3284.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS: NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2008 for the National Institutes of Health, after receiving testimony from Elias A. Zerhouni, Director, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Joan S. Brugge, Harvard Medical School Department of Cell Biology, Boston, Massachusetts; Brent Iverson, University of Texas at Austin; Robert Siliciano, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Baltimore, Maryland; and Stephen M. Strittmatter, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, Connecticut.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 18 public bills, H.R. 1559–1576; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 253 and 255, were introduced. **Pages H2670–71**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1433, to provide for the treatment of the District of Columbia as a Congressional district for purposes of representation in the House of Representatives, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–52, Pt. 1) and

H. Res. 254, providing for consideration of H.R. 1227, to assist in the provision of affordable housing to low-income families affected by Hurricane Katrina (H. Rept. 110–53). **Page H2670**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Corrine Brown to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today. **Page H2625**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:45 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H2626**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Recognizing the importance of Hot Springs National Park on its 175th anniversary:* H. Res. 138, to recognize the importance of Hot Springs National Park on its 175th anniversary, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 399 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 157; **Pages H2627–28, H2637–38**

*More Water and More Energy Act of 2007:* H.R. 902, to facilitate the use for irrigation and other purposes of water produced in connection with development of energy resources; **Pages H2628–31**

*Taunton, Massachusetts Special Resources Study Act:* H.R. 1021, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resources study regarding the suitability and feasibility of designating certain historic buildings and areas in Taunton, Massachusetts, as a unit of the National Park System; **Page H2631**

*Natural Resource Protection Cooperative Agreement Act:* H.R. 658, to authorize the Secretary of

the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements to protect natural resources of units of the National Park System through collaborative efforts on land inside and outside of units of the National Park System, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 390 yeas to 10 nays, Roll No. 158; **Pages H2631–33, H2638–39**

*Providing for the conveyance of the Bureau of Land Management parcels known as the White Acre and Gambel Oak properties and related real property to Park City, Utah:* H.R. 838, to provide for the conveyance of the Bureau of Land Management parcels known as the White Acre and Gambel Oak properties and related real property to Park City, Utah; **Pages H2633–34**

*Arthur V. Watkins Dam Enlargement Act:* H.R. 839, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the feasibility of enlarging the Arthur V. Watkins Dam Weber Basin Project, Utah, to provide additional water for the Weber Basin Project to fulfill the purposes for which that project was authorized, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 394 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 159; and **Pages H2634, S2639**

*Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Amendments of 2007:* H.R. 1006, to amend the provisions of law relating to the John H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Grant Program. **Page H2634–35**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 3:01 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H2637**

**Suspension—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

*Redesignating the Ellis Island Library on the third floor of the Ellis Island Immigration Museum, located on Ellis Island in New York Harbor, as the “Bob Hope Memorial Library”:* H.R. 759, to redesignate the Ellis Island Library on the third floor of the Ellis Island Immigration Museum, located on Ellis Island in New York Harbor, as the “Bob Hope Memorial Library”. **Pages H2636–37**

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the lives of United States Armed Services members lost in Iraq. **Page H2638**

**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 253, electing Representative Moore (WI) to the Committee on the Budget. **Page H2639**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2643.

**Senate Referrals:** S.J. Res. 5 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and S. Con. Res. 14 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. **Page H2670**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2637–38, H2638, and H2639. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FINANCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions held a hearing on OMB. Testimony was heard from Robert J. Portman, Director, OMB.

### LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, HHS, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Employment and Training Administration/Office of Job Corps/Veterans Training/Vocational and Adult Education. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: Emily Stover DeRocco, Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration; Esther R. Johnson, Director, Office of Job Corps; and Troy Justesen, Assistant Secretary, Vocational and Adult Education; and Charles S. Ciccolella, Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Training Administration, Department of Labor.

### SELECT INTELLIGENCE OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Intelligence Oversight met in executive session to hold a hearing on National Reconnaissance Office Budget. Testimony was heard from Donald Kerr, Director, National Reconnaissance Office, Department of Defense.

### CLIMATE CHANGE SCIENCE INTERFERENCE

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Held a hearing on Allegations of Political Interference with Government Climate Change Science. Testimony was heard from James Connaughton, Chairman, Council on Environmental Quality; James Hansen, Director, Goddard Institute for Space Studies, NASA; Philip Cooney, former Chief of Staff, Council on Environmental Quality; George Deutsch, former Public Affairs Officer, NASA; and a public witness.

### GULF COAST HURRICANE HOUSING RECOVERY ACT OF 2007

*Committee on Rules,* Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule for consideration of H.R. 1227, Gulf Coast Hurricane Housing Recovery Act of 2007. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and Ranking Minority Member of the Committee on Financial